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## **VIA ECFS (NON-DOCKETED FILING)**

October 11, 2016

Marlene H. Dortch Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW Washington, DC 20554

RE: CenturyLink Public Notice of Network Change(s) for Copper Retirements, 47 C.F.R. Section 51.332: No. 16-004

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 51.332 of the Commission's rules, CenturyLink hereby submits the attached Public Notice No. 16-004 for copper retirements in Alabama, Florida, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Wisconsin.<sup>1</sup>

These retirements will have no impact on the services provided to the retail customers served by the copper facilities that will be retired.

Pursuant to the FCC's Order of November 26, 2014,<sup>2</sup> one copy (in PDF format) of this material is attached as an electronic submission. CenturyLink has provided each entity within the affected service areas that directly interconnects with CenturyLink's network with a copy of the Public Notice. And, pursuant to the FCC's Report and Order of August 7, 2015<sup>3</sup> and section

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This notification, with a different implementation date, was filed previously on June 28, 2016. It had not been publicly noticed by the Commission to date. The purpose of this re-filing is to clarify certain aspects of the previous submission. CenturyLink requests that today's re-filing of Public Notice No. 16-004, which is complete in its entirety, be accepted and publicly noticed by the FCC in place of the notification filed on June 28, 2016. The October 11, 2016 re-filing of Public Notice No. 16-004 includes a new implementation date of April 30, 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Amendment of Certain of the Commission's Part 1 Rules of Practice and Procedure and Part 0 Rules of Commission Organization, GC Docket No. 10-44, Order, FCC 14-183, 29 FCC Rcd 14955, 14959 ¶ 14, 14960 ¶ 18 (rel. Nov. 26, 2014).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Technology Transitions; Policies and Rules Governing Retirement of Copper Loops by Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers, etc., GN Docket No. 13-5, RM-11358, Report and Order,

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51.332(b)(4), a copy of this notice is being transmitted to the entities identified on the attached Certificate of Service, including for each state, the governor and public utility commission, any tribal entities affected by the notification, along with a copy to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications for the U.S. Department of Defense.

Concurrent with this filing, a copy of this information is being submitted via e-mail to Carmell Weathers on behalf of the Chief-Wireline Competition Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission.

Please contact me on 202.429.3120 if you have questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Attachments

Copy to:

Carmell Weathers (FCC – Wireline Competition Bureau) Via e-mail ( Carmell.Weathers@fcc.gov )

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